

## DEUTSCHLAND, CRIPPLED ON VOYAGE, LANDS AT BREMEN

### PLUCKY SUBSEA BOAT SAFE

Half of Bremen Turns Out to Welcome  
Submarine Deutschland Which Returns  
Safely With Valuable Cargo

### HUGE ZEPPELIN RAID FEARED BY LONDON

Monster Airships Under Construction Will  
Be Ready for Service in Fall;  
Allies Gain Victories

(By C. W. Ackerman, United Press  
Staff Correspondent.)

Bremen, August 24.—The German super-submersible Deutschland eluded the vigilance of at least eight British warships and the whole American fleet of fishing schooners in the employ of the allies when she left the Virginia capes on the night of August 2. Passing out of the capes the Deutschland encountered a great number of schooners which had dropped nets ostensibly to fish. The real purpose, Captain Koenig said today, was to make soundings for the Deutschland, aiming to signal the allied warships when the submarine should plunge through the nets. The warships made no attempt to approach within the three mile limit. During the whole of the journey of 4200 miles the Deutschland submerged only 119 miles. A heavy fog on the English coast delayed the submarine several days.

Two-thirds of the population of Bremen turned out today to greet the submarine.

Deutschland Slightly Damaged.

The Hague, August 24.—The submarine Deutschland, which arrived at Bremen last night, was slightly damaged on her return trip according to Bremen dispatches. She took the same route as on her voyage to Baltimore. Her sister ship, the Bremen, left for America a few days ago.

The Deutschland brought three mail bags from Ambassador Bernstorff and a cargo of rubber and nickel valued at \$1,000,000.

Germania Repulsed.

Paris, August 24.—The French forces completely repulsed two German attacks near Soyecourt, south of the Somme river last night. Several surprise attacks were repulsed in the same Champagne region.

Huge Zeppelin Attack.

London, August 24.—No damage was inflicted by the Zeppelins that raided the east coast of England just before midnight and no casualties resulted, the war office announced today. These raids, together with those of the past few weeks, are believed to be reconnaissance flights to test England's new air defense, in preparation for a great aerial attack.

German correspondents describe the construction of the huge Zeppelins which are expected to raid London and Paris during September and October when the weather is more favorable. Baron Montagu, former vice chairman of the joint naval and military board, gave England the first authentic information about the new Zeppelins in a speech last night. He said they were 780 feet long, had a speed of eighty miles an hour, can ascend three miles and are capable of carrying five tons of explosives. Three have been completed and four more will be available by October.

Goes to Meet Bremen.

Boston, August 24.—The North German Lloyd liner Willestad leaves her berth today for New London, a steamer to meet the Bremen which is expected within forty-eight hours.

Anglo-French Defeat.

Berlin, August 24.—The Bulgars de-

feated the Anglo-French in fresh fighting along the Struma river today. The allies abandoned their position after suffering a loss of several hundred dead.

Bulgars Attack Series.

London, August 24.—A strong Bulgarian force is attacking the Greek city of Serres, forty-three miles north-east of Salonika. The Greek garrison is co-operating with the French defense. The Bulgarian offensive is at a standstill in practically every other sector.

By United Press.

Petrograd, August 24.—The Russians defeated 80,000 Turks today in a great battle near Racha, capturing two regiments.

POTATO RAISERS

ASK FOR \$30,000

By United Press.

Washington, August 24.—The Northern Potato Traffic association today demanded \$30,000 reparation in a complaint against discriminatory rates on potatoes from Minnesota and Wisconsin producing points to Texas points in favor of Idaho producers.

### MARKED ACTIVITY IN REALTY

Major Brothers Consummate Deals Which  
Indicate Interest in Chickasha  
Felt by Outsiders

That business conditions in Chickasha and vicinity are better than they have been for years is evidenced by the large amount of property which is changing hands and the newcomers who are moving to Chickasha.

Ralph Worthington of El Reno has purchased 350 acres, eight miles north-east of the city, for a consideration of \$5000 and is moving here from El Reno. An 86 acre tract of land two miles west of Pecosset was sold to E. Hurt for \$2700.

J. L. Hask of Walter has bought a brick residence at 423 Iowa, price \$3000, and an 80 acre farm, seven miles northeast of the city, price \$2700, and expects to move here from Walter by November 1. J. S. Ikard of near Pecosset has purchased 160 acres four miles north of Walter for \$8000.

All of the sales were made during the present month by Major Brothers.

ASK FOR REINSTATEMENT.

Women's club delegates from all parts of Grady county to the meeting in Chickasha yesterday were enthusiastic for the reinstatement of Mrs. Nettie Coryell as woman agent of Grady county. A committee was appointed to wait on the county commissioners with that object in view, and a number of the women went in a body to talk with Commissioner Corzine. Mr. Corzine promised to give the matter his careful consideration. Mrs. Coryell went to Amber this morning, unofficially, but at the petition of a number of the ladies of that vicinity, to assist them in organizing a Woman's club.

CAMP "KETCH 'EM" ABANDONED

The boys who have been spending a pleasant summer at camp "Ketch 'Em" near Lucile under the leadership of Al Shanks of Oklahoma City, have broken camp and returned to their homes. As the camp is an annual affair they expect to meet each other again there next year.

WEATHER FORECAST.

For Oklahoma.

Tonight and Friday, general-ly fair.

Local Temperature.

During 24 hours ending 8 a. m. today:

Maximum, 88; minimum, 53.

### COUNTY EXCISE LABORS

List of Township and School District Estimates Which Had Been Approved  
Prior to Today's Session

After spending a busy day yesterday the county excise commission resumed its labors in the county commissioners' office this morning. Miss Adola Zinn, assistant county superintendent, continued to represent that office on the board and to act as mathematician. Previous mention has been made of the approval of the estimate of the Chickasha school district.

Following are the approved estimates and the rate of levy in mills as approved by the county excise board. Chickasha: Estimate \$6910, rate 2.8. Middleburg: Estimate \$1531.70, rate 3.50.

Washington: Estimate \$1038, rate 3.50.

Bradley: Estimate \$3022.55, rate 3.50.

Pecosset: Estimate \$2506, rate of levy 3.08; sinking fund \$770.72, rate 1; total levy 4.08.

Alex: Estimate \$2262.25, rate 3.50.

Waldon: Estimate general fund \$988.90, rate 3.50; sinking fund \$336.34, rate 1.20; total levy 4.70.

Shirley: Estimate \$1653, rate 2.40.

Prairie Valley: Estimate \$1328.73, rate 3.50.

Dutton: Estimate \$1375, rate 2.50.

Star: Estimate \$885, rate 2.50.

Tabler: Estimate \$1084.10, rate 3.50.

Cross: Estimate \$1400, rate 3.30.

Hillsboro: Estimate \$1600, rate 2.30.

Harrison: Estimate \$500, rate 3.40.

Union: Estimate \$1250, rate 1.30; sinking fund \$70, rate 10; total rate 1.40.

Ninnekah: Estimate \$3326.14, rate 3.50; sinking fund \$192.50, rate 20; total rate 3.70.

Amber: Estimate \$2160, rate 2.40.

Tuttle: Estimate general fund \$2-993.45, rate 3.50; sinking fund \$130.74, rate 1.15; total rate 3.65.

Chandler: Estimate \$1170.20, rate 3.50.

The following estimates for the various school districts in Grady county had been approved up to the end of yesterday's session:

No. 2.—Estimate general fund \$5-730, rate 7 mills; sinking fund \$137.7, rate 2.60; total rate 9.60.

No. 3.—General fund \$6033.96, rate 10 mills; sinking fund \$127.7, rate 2.50; total rate 12.50.

No. 5.—General fund \$634, rate 5 mills; sinking fund, rate 1; total 6 mills.

No. 6.—General fund \$731.50, rate 5 mills; sinking fund \$220, rate 2; total rate 7 mills.

No. 7.—General fund \$980, rate 9.60; sinking fund \$279, rate 3.40; total rate 13 mills.

No. 8.—General fund \$1062.56, rate 13.40 mills; sinking fund \$163, rate 2.60; total rate 16 mills.

No. 9.—General fund \$700, rate 10.60; sinking fund \$165, rate 3.50; total rate 14.10 mills.

No. 11.—General fund \$1475, rate 6; sinking fund \$318.50, rate 1.80; total rate 7.80 mills.

No. 12.—General fund \$480, rate 7.20; sinking fund \$110, rate 1.30; total rate 8.50 mills.

No. 14.—General fund \$1150, rate 4.40; sinking fund \$285, rate 1.30; total rate 5.70 mills.

No. 15.—General fund \$500, rate 5; sinking fund \$165, rate 1.20; total 6.20.

No. 16.—General fund \$709.88, rate 8; sinking fund \$165, rate 2.10; total rate 10.10 mills.

No. 18.—General fund \$709, rate 10; sinking fund \$170.50, rate 4; total rate 14.

No. 19.—General fund \$905, rate 9.80; sinking fund \$288, rate 2.80; total rate 9.60 mills.

No. 21.—General fund \$867.40, rate 10; sinking fund \$205, rate 2.20; total rate 12.20 mills.

No. 22.—General fund \$264, rate 9; sinking fund \$171, rate 8; total rate 17 mills.

No. 24.—General fund \$1240, rate 8;

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### LAWYERS ADVISE AGAINST APPEAL IN LOCAL PAVING CASE

Attorneys in the case involving the validity of about \$500,000 paving bonds in Chickasha advise that no appeal be taken from the state supreme court which decided the litigation adversely to the citizens and it is assumed that their counsel will be followed, thus ending proceedings that have been going on in the courts for three years or more.

Alger Melton, of the law firm of Bond, Melton & Melton, in announcing the decision reached by the attorneys for the plaintiffs, today gave the Express the following statement:

"After consultation with Judge C. B. Stuart, it is thought advisable not to appeal the paving case to the supreme court of the United States. The state supreme court holds in the decision that the action can not be maintained to test the validity of the assessments because not filed within 60 days after the assessing ordinance was adopted, and therefore, under the statute no suit can be maintained after 60 days from the date of the assessing ordinance, when the purpose of the suit is to question the validity of the assessments. The court bases its opinion upon the principles controlling legislative acts which have to do with the levy and collection of taxes and limitations on the right to question their validity after the expiration of a definite time. We do not believe this decision would be reversed by the supreme court of the United States and therefore advice against an appeal.

"The state supreme court indicates in the opinion that an action on the construction bonds given the city by the contractor would lie for damages by reason of any failure to construct the pavement according to the plans and specifications. In the trial of the case it was shown that the pavement is not what the contract called for, the jury and the trial court found this fact, and we may advise the people to request the city to sue on the contractor's bond for damages.

"There is some question as to whether penalties accruing pending the litigation can be collected. The penalty is for a failure to pay the assessment when due. If the validity of the assessment is in litigation it would hardly be equitable to require payment of penalties during that time.

"It will be our purpose to prevent the collection of these penalties if possible, or we may ask the city to remit such penalties if we conclude it has authority to do so."

### CONFIDENT OF VICTORY EVERYBODY IS INVITED

A. E. Wickizer, temporary Democratic county chairman, after attending the convention and waiting over on account of the organization yesterday of the Grady county contingent of the International Congress of Farm Women, left for his home in Amber last night.

Prior to his departure he expressed the most sanguine hope that democracy is now, as never before, in fighting trim. He asserted that the party of farmers following as unanswerable arguments: (a) A great man at the head of it. (b) A great constructive program. (c) Great achievement in the way of progressive constructive legislation and unity in its own ranks.

### BIG MONEY IN HOGS TEXAS TATE CONFIDENT

Carload Now Worth \$1,800 But Few  
Farmers Take Advantage of Good  
Prices These Days

Why don't the farmers of Grady county raise more hogs?

That is the question that is bothering some of the people who know how much money can be made out of it.

Yesterday afternoon several loads of hogs were brought in by farmers for shipment by A. S. White, local hog buyer. One of these men brought in three hogs averaging 221 pounds each.

"It is a strange thing that the people of this county cannot become interested in hogs. Prices are extra good, better than I have ever known in Oklahoma. A carload of average hogs is worth from \$1700 to \$1800. These hogs formerly went to Fort Worth but the Texas farmer discovered the fact that lots of good money might be made in hogs and are loading up the Fort Worth market. These hogs now go to Oklahoma City.

\$1.40 WHEAT.

Wheat delivered at the Chickasha elevator these days is bringing \$1.40 per bushel. But little of the grain is being brought into town, however, as that which is not stored in bins has been largely disposed of.

MELON TROUBLES.

Because the watermelon did not, as they claimed, come up to the guarantee of the vendor, two negroes, Tom Johnson and Edgar Hightower, refused to pay the price asked by the white man who sold it. The negroes were arrested on the charge of abusive language entered by the white man but Mayor Coffman, after seeing the melon and hearing the evidence of witnesses and considering the general reputation of the defendants, dismissed the case and the two boys went free.

### FRISCO IS GRANTED CHARTER

Under Plan of Reorganization Capital  
Stock Will Be \$450,000,000 of Which  
\$200,000,000 Will Be Preferred

By United Press.

Jefferson City, Mo., Aug. 24.—The Frisco road was granted a charter today under the plan of reorganization. The capital stock will be \$450,000,000, of which \$200,000,000 will be preferred stock. The incorporation covers 1332 miles of a total of 3467 miles. The dividends on preferred stock shall never exceed seven per cent and must be paid before common dividends are declared.

It is thought the election of officers will be held up until the federal court approves the recent sale.

### CITY BUDGET CUT TO TUNE OF \$6,700

No Chance for New Reinforced Concrete  
Bridge Across Line Creek  
at Fourth

The hopes of Mayor Coffman and Street Commissioner Dan Beets for a reinforced concrete bridge across Line Creek at Fourth street went glimmering this morning when, at the conclusion of the slashing process which the city budget for 1916-7 underwent, it was found that the estimates passed by the city council had been bled to the amount of \$6700. The large part of this was deducted from the street and bridge fund and this was almost wholly taken from funds which were designed to meet the most of the new bridge.

Other departments suffered but slightly. The contingent supply fund was reduced \$1250, the fire department suffered to the tune of \$500 and \$200 was subtracted from the allowance of the library fund. Neither the cemetery nor the police fund was touched, the latter already being shy the payment for the motorcycle cop.

"I regret this course became necessary," said Mayor Coffman this morning, "as many people were anxious to see the construction of this bridge, which is badly needed. However, their next best show to get it would be to float bonds for it."

The revised budget will be presented to the county excise board for approval at 3 o'clock this afternoon, the committee being Mayor Coffman, City Treasurer Clark and City Attorney Grigsby.

PERSEVERENCE DO COUNT.

He was a mild mannered darkey who had just passed the half century mark, but there was a look of resolve and confidence in his face as he stepped into the court clerk's office yesterday afternoon in search of a permit to marry. Court Clerk Newman and his able deputy had been waiting for him for four days. Notwithstanding this was his fifth venture with the third woman in the case he proceeded boldly to state his business.

When the license was filled out it showed the following items: Carter Grayson, 50, Chickasha, to Lillian Booker, 50, Chickasha.

It was the last of several visits in search of the license. On a previous occasion the law had been explained to the applicant. His former wife, to whom he had been married twice, was granted a divorce on February 19 by Judge Linn and Carter could not hope to remarry in this state under six months. He was loth to accept the decision of Deputy Richardson as final and sought the advice of District Judge Will Linn, who happened to be in the office at the time. "You cannot mar-

riage her," said the judge. "You cannot marry her."

### SITUATION CHANGES FOR WORSE

Members of Railway Presidents' Subcommittee  
Sees Dark Cloud in Sky But  
Go to Confer With Wilson

### CONFERENCE LASTS ONLY TEN MINUTES

Meeting Between Railway Magnates and  
President Results From Confer-  
ence With Mediation Board Head

By United Press.

Washington, August 24.—"Since midnight the situation has taken a change for the worse," declared members of the railway presidents' sub-committee before that body left for the White House to confer with President Wilson. The conference lasted ten minutes. The sub-committee will report to all the presidents at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

The meeting with the railway presidents' committee followed the return to the White House this morning of Judge Chambers of the federal mediation board after conferring with the brotherhood leaders.

IN POLICE COURT.

Chief Phillips and Officer Marshall yesterday arrested Bill McRay for disturbing the peace. He was held this afternoon. C. N. Nixon and C. H. Thomas forfeited their bonds on the charge of loitering.

ry in Oklahoma until August 19," said the judge kindly.

"Dat's a long way off, boss. Could n't we hurry it up a little?"

Some one suggested that in Texas or some other state one could marry on the day following the decree.

"Do yer reckon we could marry down there?" he asked, but being told he could not do so and return to Oklahoma without suffering the penalty he decided it would not pay.

"I kaint afford to run away because I got too much property here and I don't want to go to the pen," he concluded.

Yesterday, however, he encountered fresh difficulties.

"We've been waiting for you since the nineteenth," said Deputy Richardson as he put the finishing touches on the license.

"Sorry to put you out, boss, but I had to work."

"Would you let common labor interfere with such a solemn duty?" asked the deputy. Then Brother Wray, who was present, innocently asked how much it cost to get a license.

"It costs \$3.00," replied the officer. "Gosh, that's a lot of money," replied the pastor. "Where I lived once they only charged \$1.50."

"Dat's all it cost me," interjected the prospective bridegroom. "Once in Texas and once in another place."

When pressed for an explanation he admitted that he had been married and unmarried four times.

"You must know a whole lot about women," suggested the deputy clerk.

"No, not so much," he replied. "You see I married two women twice. Dis is only the third woman."

"And will she also be a second term?" asked the pastor.

"No sah, no sah, you see de Bible says you must only marry seven times and I kaint afford to waste no more time on de same woman."

Then came the moment of parting with the civil.

"These are awful hard times to be paying out so much money," put in Brother Wray. This led to a discussion of the price of flour and meat and the darkey held back his money for a moment and scratched his head.

With this the deputy clerk sentenced. "If you think this is too hard on you I can tear up the license," he said.

"No sah, no sah; I dun sign me name now, so I guess I'll go ahead," and he left the office with a less confident air than that which had marked his entrance.